amended, which was classified to sections 1001 to 1011 of former title 5 and which was repealed and reenacted as subchapter II (§551 et seq.) of chapter 5, and chapter 7 (§701 et seq.), of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, by Pub. L. 89–554, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 378.

The Government in the Sunshine Act, referred to in subsec. (a), is Pub. L. 94–409, Sept. 13, 1976, 90 Stat. 1241, which enacted section 552b of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, amended sections 551, 552, 556, and 557 of Title 5, section 10 of Pub. L. 92–463, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, and section 410 of Title 39, Postal Service, and enacted provisions set out as notes under section 552b of Title 5. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 552b of Title 5 and Tables. The Federal Advisory Committee Act, referred to in

The Federal Advisory Committee Act, referred to in subsec. (a), is Pub. L. 92–463, Oct. 6, 1972, 86 Stat. 770, as amended, which is set out in the Appendix to Title 5.

The National Historic Preservation Act, referred to in subsec. (a), is Pub. L. 89-665, Oct. 15, 1966, 80 Stat. 915, as amended, which is classified generally to subchapter II (§ 470 et seq.) of chapter 1A of Title 16, Conservation. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see section 470(a) of Title 16 and Tables.

The National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, referred to in subsec. (a), is Pub. L. 91–190, Jan. 1, 1970, 83 Stat. 852, as amended, which is classified generally to chapter 55 (§ 4321 et seq.) of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 4321 of Title 42 and Tables.

The Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, referred to in subsec. (b), was in the original "the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 (40 U.S.C. 484)". The Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 is act June 30, 1949, ch. 288, 63 Stat. 377, as amended. Except for title III of the Act, which is classified generally to subchapter IV (§251 et seq.) of chapter 4 of Title 41, Public Contracts, the Act was repealed and reenacted by Pub. L. 107–217, §81, 6(b), Aug. 21, 2002, 116 Stat. 1062, 1304, as chapters 1 to 11 of Title 40, Public Buildings, Property, and Works. Section 203 of the Act, which was classified to section 484 of former Title 40, Public Buildings, Property, and Works, was repealed and reenacted as sections 541 to 555 of Title 40.

Act of October 3, 1944, popularly referred to as the "Surplus Property Act of 1944", referred to in subsec. (b), is act Oct. 3, 1944, ch. 479, 58 Stat. 765, known as the Surplus Property Act of 1944, which was classified principally to sections 1611 to 1646 of Title 50, Appendix, War and National Defense, and was repealed effective July 1, 1949, with the exception of sections 1622, 1631, 1637, and 1641 of Title 50, Appendix, by act June 30, 1949, ch. 288, title VI, §602(a)(1), 63 Stat. 399, renumbered Sept. 5, 1950, ch. 849, §6(a), (b), 64 Stat. 583. Sections 1622 and 1641 were partially repealed by the 1949 act, and section 1622 is still set out in part in Title 50, Appendix. Section 1622(g) was repealed and reenacted as sections 47151 to 47153 of Title 49, Transportation, by Pub. L. 103-272, §§1(e), 7(b), July 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 1278-1280, 1379. Section 1631 was repealed by act June 7, 1939, ch. 190, §6(e), as added by act July 23, 1946, ch. 590, 60 Stat. 599, and is covered by sections 98 et seq. of Title 50. Section 1637 was repealed by act June 25, 1948, ch. 645, §21, 62 Stat. 862, eff. Sept. 1, 1948, and is covered by section 3287 of Title 18, Crimes and Criminal Procedure. Provisions of section 1641 not repealed by the 1949 act were repealed by Pub. L. 87-256, §111(a)(1), Sept. 21, 1961, 75 Stat. 538, and are covered by chapter 33 (§ 2451 et seq.) of Title 22, Foreign Relations and Intercourse.

Act of March 12, 1914, referred to in subsec. (b), is act Mar. 12, 1914, ch. 37, 38 Stat. 305, as amended, popularly known as the Alaska Railroad Act, which enacted section 353a of Title 16, Conservation, and sections 975 to 975g of Title 43, Public Lands, and which was repealed by section 615(a)(1) of Pub. L. 97–468 effective on the date of transfer of Alaska Railroad to the State [Jan. 5, 1985], pursuant to section 1203 of this title.

The Alaska Statehood Act, referred to in subsec. (b), is Pub. L. 85–508, July 7, 1958, 72 Stat. 339, as amended,

which is set out as a note preceding section 21 of Title 48, Territories and Insular Possessions. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables.

The Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, referred to in subsecs. (b) and (e), is Pub. L. 92–203, Dec. 18, 1971, 85 Stat. 688, as amended, which is classified generally to chapter 33 (§1601 et seq.) of Title 43, Public Lands. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1601 of Title 43 and Tables.

Act of January 2, 1976 (Public Law 94–204; 89 Stat. 1145), referred to in subsec. (b), amended the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.). For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables.

The Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act, referred to in subsecs. (b) and (e), is Pub. L. 96–487, Dec. 2, 1980, 94 Stat. 2371, as amended. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 3101 of Title 16, Conservation, and Tables.

The general land and land management laws of the United States, referred to in subsec. (b), are classified generally to Title 43, Public Lands.

CODIFICATION

In subsec. (a), "section 303 of title 49" substituted for "section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act (49 U.S.C. 1653(f))" on authority of Pub. L. 97–449, §6(b), Jan. 12, 1983, 96 Stat. 2443, the first section of which enacted subtitle I (§101 et seq.) and chapter 31 (§3101 et seq.) of subtitle II of Title 49, Transportation.

§ 1213. Conflict with other laws

The provisions of this chapter shall govern if there is any conflict between this chapter and any other law.

(Pub. L. 97–468, title VI, $\S614$, Jan. 14, 1983, 96 Stat. 2577.)

§ 1214. Separability

If any provision of this chapter or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this chapter and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

(Pub. L. 97–468, title VI, §616, Jan. 14, 1983, 96 Stat. 2578.)

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This chapter is referred to in sections 702, 741, 1116, 1347 of this title.

SUBCHAPTER I—GENERAL PROVISIONS

§ 1301. Findings

The Congress finds that—

- (1) the bankruptcy of the Penn Central and other railroads in the Northeast and Midwest resulted in a transportation emergency which required the intervention of the Federal Government;
- (2) the United States Government created the Consolidated Rail Corporation, which provides essential rail service to the Northeast and Midwest;
- (3) the future of rail service in the Northeast and Midwest is essential and must be protected through rail service obligations, consistent with the transfer of the Corporation to the private sector;
- (4) the Northeast Rail Service Act of 1981 has achieved its purpose in allowing the Corporation to become financially self-sustaining;
- (5) the Federal Government has invested over \$7,000,000,000 in providing rail service to the Northeast and Midwest;
- (6) the Government, as a result of its ownership and investment of taxpayer dollars in the Corporation, controls substantial assets, including cash of approximately \$1,000,000,000;

- (7) the Corporation's viability and sound performance allow it to be sold to the American public for a substantial sum through a public offering:
- (8) a public offering of the Corporation's stock will preserve competitive rail service in the region, provide a reasonable return to the Government, and protect employment;
- (9) the Corporation's employees contributed significantly to the turnaround in the Corporation's financial performance and they should share in the Corporation's success through a settlement of their claims for reimbursement for wages below industry standard, and a share in the common equity of the Corporation;
- (10) the requirements of section 761(e)¹ of this title are met by this chapter; and
- (11) the Secretary of Transportation has discharged the responsibilities of the Department of Transportation under the Northeast Rail Service Act of 1981 with respect to the sale of the Corporation as a single entity.

(Pub. L. 99–509, title IV, §4002, Oct. 21, 1986, 100 Stat. 1893.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Northeast Rail Service Act of 1981, referred to in pars. (4) and (11), is subtitle E of title XI of Pub. L. 97-35, §§1131-1169, Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 643, as amended. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1101 of this title and Tables.

Section 761 of this title, referred to in par. (10), was repealed by Pub. L. 99-509, title IV, §4033(a)(1), Oct. 21, 1986, 100 Stat. 1908.

This chapter, referred to in par. (10), was in the original "this subtitle" meaning subtitle A (§§4001–4052) of title IV of Pub. L. 99–509, Oct. 21, 1986, 100 Stat. 1892, known as the Conrail Privatization Act, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of subtitle A to the Code, see Short Title note set out below and Tables.

SHORT TITLE

Section 4001(a) of subtitle A (§§ 4001–4052) of title IV of Pub. L. 99–509 provided that: "This subtitle [enacting this chapter, amending sections 702, 726, 727, 741, 797, 821, 825, 829, 831, 1105, 1115, and 1116 of this title and sections 10362 and 10713 of Title 49, Transportation, repealing sections 761 to 769c, 7971, 825a, 1107, 1110, and 1114 of this title, and enacting provisions set out as a note under section 797 of this title] may be cited as the 'Conrail Privatization Act'."

§ 1302. Purposes

The purposes of this chapter are to transfer the interest of the United States in the common stock of the Corporation to the private sector in a manner that provides for the long-term viability of the Corporation, provides for the continuation by the Corporation of its rail service in the Northeast and Midwest, provides for the protection of the public interest in a sound rail transportation system, and, to the extent not inconsistent with such purposes, secures the maximum proceeds to the United States.

(Pub. L. 99–509, title IV, \$4003, Oct. 21, 1986, 100 Stat. 1893.)

§ 1303. Definitions

For the purposes of this chapter—

¹ See References in Text note below.